

Project Update: January 2015

From October-December 2014 we accomplished communal capacitating to children, young people like adults, using workgroup dynamics techniques, and demonstrating at the lot how the conservation measures for punctual cases are applicable.

From November-December 2014 we initiated the conservation works at the Jiguaní-Jaragua locality, where the communal participation turned up trumps, in spite of distance and transportation difficulties to the work places. The restoration works had place in 5 ha of degraded surface; there we enforced works of picking up and planting seeds of shrub-like and herbaceous species that are soil forming and landscapes restorers, also seedling plants of endemic species were planted like *Pinus cubensis* and *Dracaena cubensis*, and undertook several tasks to reduce the lot's slope, increase the infiltration and check the erosive forces of waters, mainly through the establishment of barriers, protective blankets, and in all cases utilising the locality's materials that do not affect the natural surroundings.



Left: The children, young people and elders take part in capacitating, in the working area. Right: Communal participation in the restoration works.



Barriers building to check the gully erosion.